

Holbrook Board of Selectmen
Minutes of the Regular Session of
Wednesday, March 23, 2016

Present: Matthew V. Moore, Chairman
Kevin J. Sheehan, Vice-Chairman
Daniel F. Moriarty, III, Clerk
Richard B. McGaughey, Associate

In attendance: Marjorie E. Godfrey, Assistant Town Administrator
William Smith, Chief of Police
Luke McFadden, Fire Chief
Benjamin Ecord, Superintendent of Public Works
Stephan Hooke, Director, Communications Department
Jeanmarie Tarara, Town Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Moore, in the Selectman Noel C. King Meeting Room, Holbrook Town Hall, Floor 3R, 50 North Franklin Street, Holbrook, MA 02343, and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES:

MOTION: By Mr. Sheehan, second by Mr. McGaughey, to accept the minutes of the regular session of Wednesday, March 9, 2016, as printed

VOTE: 3:0:1 (Mr. Moore abstained)

MOTION: By Mr. Moriarty, second by Mr. Sheehan, to accept the executive session minutes of Wednesday, March 9, 2016, as printed

VOTE: 3:0:1 (Mr. Moore abstained)

Everyone was reminded that the ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION is scheduled on Tuesday, April 5, 2016.

Chief McFadden introduced FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC JARED M. MURPHY, who began his firefighting career in 2007, and has already been commended for his work since joining Holbrook Fire. FF Murphy's family and members and retired members of the Department were present. Town Clerk Jeanmarie Tarara performed the swearing in ceremony for FF/Paramedic Murphy.

Part of the grant funding that Rep. Ronald Mariano assisted the Town in receiving for renovations at the Town Hall and the Library is to be used for repairing the masonry on the front of the Town Hall. Five bids were submitted for the bid opening on March 14, 2016. Supt. Ecord recommended that the award be made to CD Masonry Restoration of Oxford, MA

MOTION: By Mr. Moriarty, second by Mr. Sheehan, that the Board of Selectmen award the bid for masonry repairs on the exterior of the Town Hall to CD Masonry Restoration, 149 Main Street, Oxford, MA, the lowest responsible bidder, at a bid price of \$26,800.00

VOTE: 4:0

Chief Smith reported that there were tires slashed on more than 10 cars in one evening last weekend on South Street.

Supt. Ecord reported that the SUMNER FIELD was damaged while a contractor for the new school project was trying to locate a location for a well for the project. Because it is now spring and the fields must be prepared by the Public Works Department for spring sports, it is important that the contractor repair the damage right away. Consigli will be contacted about the matter.

Mr. Moore thanked the Holbrook and Abington Fire Departments for the work they did fighting the recent fire at his mother-in-law's home.

Emergency Management Director Richard Reuss explained that he was recently awarded a Mass. Emergency Management Performance Grant for the purchase of equipment. The Emergency Management budget and volunteer hours will be used for the match.

MOTION: By Mr. Moore, second by Mr. Moriarty, to authorize the Chairman to execute documents related to an FFY15 Emergency Management Performance Grant Contract between the Town of Holbrook and the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency, in the amount of \$3,220.00, for the purchase of a snow blower, bicycle with lighting package and equipment bag for field mobility, and purchase/install of a weather station

VOTE: 4:0

Chief Smith explained that some of the Police Officers took the Civil Service PROMOTIONAL exam for the POSITION OF SERGEANT. The scores include 80% from the test and 20% from education. The new promotional list has been issued with three names on it. Those officers were present for interviews for the vacant position for one Sergeant. The Chief introduced each officer and spoke briefly about their work on the Department. The Officers were interviewed one at a time, and all officers were asked the same list of questions about the responsibilities and characteristics of a sergeant and how they would handle some specific situations they may encounter as a sergeant. Officer John P. Kearney scored first on the Civil Service list, and has been a police officer since 1994. Officer Andrew M. Martins scored third, and has been a police officer since 2001. Officer Brian M. MacGregor scored second, and has been a police officer since 2004.

MOTION: By Mr. Moore, second by Mr. Moriarty, that the Board of Selectmen promote Officer John P. Kearney to the position of Sergeant on the Holbrook Police Department

VOTE: 4:0

Town Clerk Jeanmarie Tarara swore Sgt. Kearney in to the position.

MOTION: At 7:50 pm, to adjourn the meeting

VOTE: 4:0

Clerk

Documents: Minutes, list of Masonry bids, MEMA grant contract